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SUBJECT: KOREA IN 29TH GA: DPRK PRESS BRIEFING

REF: USUN 1140

1. DPRK PERM OBSERVER KWON MIN JUN IN PRESS CONFERENCE
APR 5 SAID THE NORTH KOREAN CONGRESS URGED THE US CONGRESS
TO ACT ON THE PEACE PROPOSAL SENT LAST MONTH. KWON, WHO
PASSED OUT COPIES OF THE MAR 25 LETTER TO THE US CONGRESS,
SAID A PEACE AGREEMENT WOULD REPLACE THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT
WHICH WAS NOT A GUARANTEE OF A DURABLE PEACE. KWON SAID
THE US WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ROK INTRANSIGENT ATTITUDE
IN THE NEGOTIATIONS AND CONTINUED TO SUPPLY THE ROK
WITH UP-TO-DATE WEAPONS AND MILITARY PAYMENTS. KWON SAID
THE US CONTINUED TO CONDUCT MILITARY PROVOCATIONS IN
VARIOUS FORMS SUCH AS THE ENTRANCE INTO NORTH KOREAN
AIRSPACE OF "SR 71 SPY PLANES IN MARCH 1974", AS LONG
AS US TROOPS REMAIN IN SOUTH KOREA KWON SAID, IT WOULD
BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR NORTH KOREA TO ACHIEVE DIALOGUE WITH SOUTH
ON REUNIFICATION.

2. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION KWON SAID THE REASON
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THE MAR 25 LETTER WAS SENT TO THE US CONGRESS WAS BECAUSE

IT WAS FROM THE NORTH KOREAN EQUIVILANT. IT WAS NOW UP TO THE US AUTHORITIES TO RESPOND TO THIS LETTER. KWON HAD NO IDEA HOW THAT WOULD BE DONE.

3. KWON WAS ASKED IF HIS DELEGATION WOULD DISCUSS THE SUBJECT IN UN CORRIDORS WITH USUN. HE REPLIED THAT THE UN WAS NOT THE PROPER FORUM TO APPROACH AMERICANS ON THE PROBLEM, AT LEAST "NOT YET." KWON SAID THE CONTACTS OF HIS STAFF WITH AMERICANS WERE LIMITED TO ONLY SOCIAL EXCHANGES.

4. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION IF DPRK TROOPS WERE OPERATING IN THE MIDDLE EAST, KWON SAID HE HAD NO INFORMATION BUT REITERATED DPRK SUPPORT FOR THE ARABS AGAINST ISRAEL.

5. COMMENT: ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE, KWON MADE NO REFERENCE TO APR 4 CALL ON USUN REQUESTING MEETING WITH AMB SCALI. (REFTEL)
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